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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Daisuke HATA

SERIAL NO: New Application

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FOR: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND COMPUTER READABLE MEDIUM FOR CONTROLLING AUTOMATIC FOCUSING OF A DIGITAL CAMERA

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- ☐ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together with a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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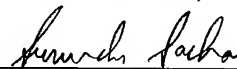
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